

Terms and conditions of use of climate data produced by the ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques (MELCC) for academic research

This document sets out the rules and requirements with which the undersigned user of climate data produced by the MELCC for academic research purposes is required to comply. The user is required to read and sign this document if the conditions as stipulated herein are agreed to.

Definitions

- **MELCC:** The ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques, any of its administrative units or any individual mandated by it.
- **DQAC:** The Direction de la qualité de l'air et du climat. Service supplier and user contact through the Info-Climat service as shown hereunder.
- **User:** The individual duly mandated by a university organization to represent it for the purposes of signing this document and that seeks to access MELCC climate data for the purpose of academic research.
- **Data:** Climate data in one or more .TXT files, produced and provided to the user by the MELCC.

Responsibilities of the MELCC

- When possible, the MELCC provides data in its possession and that it deems relevant to user requests, free of charge.
- The MELCC informs users of the status (validated or preliminary) of data supplied as well as its presentation format.
- The MELCC shall not be liable for use made of data transmitted to users nor for any damages incurred due to the use of the data.

Ownership of MELCC Data

- The MELCC is sole owner of all data provided.

Info-Climat service

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User Responsibilities

- The user agrees to respect the rules and requirements described herein without however this calling into question or constituting a change to any other existing agreement with the MELCC.
- The MELCC grants the user a non-exclusive, free and non-transferable licence to use, reproduce and publicly communicate through telecommunications media and adapt data and other elements contained in accessory parts of the file or files used. The licence is granted for the entire duration of the project with no geographical limitation.
- Notwithstanding the preceding, the user shall in no way and at no time share the data as received with a third party or communicate the data to the public using telecommunications without prior written authorization from the MELCC.
- The user shall in no way and at no time sell the data to third parties and promises to take all necessary precautions to protect the data against theft.
- The user promises to inform the DQAC about the distribution or publication of all documents prepared using the data. A copy of such documents shall be provided to the MELCC upon request.
- Each time information based on the data is made public, the user promises to state the contribution of the MELCC visibly and explicitly by adding the following sentence to the climate data bank bibliography:

Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques, 2020. *Data from the Réseau de surveillance du climat du Québec*, Direction de la qualité de l'air et du climat, Québec.

As well as the following reference in the body of the text: (MELCC, 2020).
- In addition, the following mention must be included in all adaptations or reproductions of data in publications or on Internet sites:

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- The user must also visibly and explicitly state that it is solely responsible for the content of information it makes public.

Revocation of user authorization

- The MELCC may revoke this authorization if the user does not fully comply with the rules and requirements as described herein.

User or representative information

 User address

 City

 Postal Code

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Research director information

 Name of research director

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Agreement to terms of use and procedures

As a user of MELCC climate data, I

 Name of user or its representative (in block letters)

 Name of university, faculty and department

agree to comply with the terms of use of the MELCC meteorological data described above and declare that such data will only be used within the scope of the following project:

 Name of research projet

 Planned date of ending

Reports or assessments planned

Planned date of publication	Draft title

In witness whereof I have signed

_____. at _____, on _____
Signature of user or its representative (Place) (Date)